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21 September 1945.

MEMORANDUM FOR: COMMANDER MARIANAS.  
Subject: Area Inspection - SAIPAN.  
Reference: (a) ComMarianas Staff Memorandum No. 63-45 dated 12 September 1945.

1. In accordance with reference (a), the following report is submitted: Arrived Saipan 0900 18 September - reported to Island Commander and further reported to DCMGCO for inspection of Military Government Unit.

2. Comments are made on following divisions of Military Government.

CIVILIAN INFORMATION: 476 Natives from Pagan, Asuncion, Agrihan and Alamagan were removed to Saipan, leaving only about 500 Japanese civilians in the entire area of the Northern Marianas; no natives remaining.

CIVILIAN HOUSING: Civilian housing has been completed for occupancy by the Japanese civilians, but their transfer to the new housing area has been delayed in order that the housing units might be available for Japanese Prisoners of War. Since no Japanese POW's have been transferred as yet, the occupancy of new houses is still pending. In civilian Area No. 1, four four-family units for occupancy by Chamorros are being completed weekly.

ECONOMICS: The Economic plan proposed to be put into effect should result in the Chamorros being placed on more of a self-subsisting basis. Under this plan they will pay for their own food and this may result in the need for an increase in pay for labor. It is also anticipated that a small tax will be levied to pay for their own Government. An increased trade store stock should decrease the surplus of money now in circulation both for the Chamorros and Japanese. Private industry among the Chamorros might well be encouraged even to the extent of allowing semi-luxuries.

FISHING: The Sampan fishing fleet of Saipan has demonstrated that it is capable of furnishing fish for the people of that area. Tuna Clipper fishing fleet, as shown by survey has proven impracticable for fishing operations in waters near Saipan and Northern Marianas.



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RECOMMENDATIONS

- (a) Officers on temporary duty under instruction not otherwise committed should be assigned to duty in connection with Military Government elsewhere in Marianas Area.
- (b) Transfer Tuna Clipper Fishing Fleet from this area.
- (c) Since no ships at present are scheduled for China from Saipan, it is recommended that the 5 Chinese be sent to Manila and turned over to the Chinese Council for further transportation to their homes.
- (d) SANCHEZ, Adriano Cruz, 421-02-89, St2c, USN be allowed to remain on Saipan and to be paid at the rate of not more than \$30 per month, for teaching school after discharged from the Service.
- (e) That the economic plan to put the Chamorros on a self-sustaining basis be instituted.
- (f) To make a spot survey to determine how many civilians the agriculture of the island of Saipan will provide a livelihood for.
- (g) That the city plan be completed, and if approved by higher authority, be followed in the development of Charan Kanoa.

Respectfully,

James A. Garrison.



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